Dear Co-Chair Winfield, Co-Chair Stafstrom, Vice Chair Flexer, Vice Chair Blumenthal, Ranking Member Kissel, Ranking Member Fishbein, and all members of the Judiciary Committee:

I OPPOSE S.B. No. 16 - An Act Addressing Gun Violence and Juvenile Crime.

This bill is a Frankenstein's monster of horrible policies ranging from the useless (demanding the registration of grandfathered guns, gun buyback programs), to the harmful (attacking open carry, allowing cops to demand gun permits), and to the contradictory (state licensing for gun stores, reestablishing a gun tracing task force). Over fifty pages and not a single word about addressing repeat juvenile criminals. These measures simply attack legal gun owners. Again.

I OPPOSE H.B. No. 5416 – An Act Concerning Bulk Purchases of Pistols and Revolvers.

Once again, limiting the rights of law-abiding citizens does nothing to address this ongoing crime wave. Criminals will obtain as many illegal firearms as they want (via black market sales or theft), while terrorized citizens that already must wait to get a pistol permit will be forced to wait again in between lawful firearm purchases.

I SUPPORT Raised H.B. No. 5415 - An Act Concerning the Transfer Of Assault Weapons and Large Capacity Magazines.

I SUPPORT Raised H.B. No. 5412 - An Act Concerning the Duty to Retreat in A Religious House of Worship.

I SUPPORT Raised S.B. No. 388 - An Act Concerning the Defense of a Person or A Person's Dwelling, Place of Work or Motor Vehicle.

Sincerely, Oliver Augustin

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